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Applicant(s): Toshio MATSUMOTO

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: POROUS SINTERED BODY OF CALCIUM PHOSPHATE-BASED

CERAMIC AND METHOD FOR PRODUCING SAME

## INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

In accordance with Applicants ☐ duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. 1.56, Applicants hereby submit the following Information Disclosure Statement under 37 C.F.R. 1.97 and 1.98, and in conformance with MPEP 609 and 37 C.F.R. 1.98(d).

Applicants hereby make of record the disclosure statements filed March 7, 2002, and May 31, 2002 in parent Application No. 10/005,673.

Applicants note that U.S. Application No. 09/450,511 cited in the March 7, 2002 Information Disclosure Statement has published as US 2002-0104602 A1 on August 8, 2002, and U.S. Application No. 09/658,021 cited in the March 7, 2002 Information Disclosure Statement has issued as U.S. Patent No. 6,719,989.

The Examiner is respectfully requested to consider the documents cited in the parent application and the above-noted publication and patent, and to make these documents of record in the instant application.

Applicants note that copies of documents cited in the above-mentioned disclosure statements have been submitted in parent Application No. 10/005,673. Accordingly, pursuant to 37 C.F.R.

1.98(d) copies of the documents are not being submitted herewith, and the Examiner is invited to review and consider the documents in the parent application. However, copies of newly-updated US 2002-0104602 A1 and U.S. Patent No. 6,719,989 are enclosed. Of course, should any of the documents not be readily available to the Examiner, the Examiner is requested to contact the undersigned and additional copies will be submitted.

For the convenience of the Examiner, the above-noted documents cited in the parent applications are listed on the attached Forms PTO-1449 along with the newly-updated documents. The Examiner is requested to initial the Forms PTO-1449, and to return the initialed copy with the next communication from the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office.

Should the Examiner have any questions or comments regarding this matter, the undersigned may be contacted at the below-listed telephone number.

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